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### From the Editor's Desk

A lot of exciting things have happened since the last issue of the WST2. First, we welcomed aboard our new Secretary of Transportation. After 35 years of public service, former Secretary Sid Morrison retired and Doug MacDonald, a native Washingtonian, came home from the east coast to assume the position of Secretary of Transportation. There are exciting times ahead and we look forward to continuing our efforts to improve the quality and efficiency of transportation services in Washington under Secretary MacDonald's leadership.

We also welcome Liana Liu, P.E. to the LTAP in Washington. Liana steps in as the new Technology Transfer Engineer for the FHWA Division Office in Olympia. She comes to us with a wealth of engineering experience and an enthusiasm for the program. Liana has already been helpful in securing special projects that will be beneficial to local agencies.

The WST2 Center would like to thank Kathy Nichols, P.E., Pavement Engineer, FHWA Olympia Division Office, for all her outstanding support while filling in as the FHWA T2 Engineer this past year. With her spirit of cooperation and partnering, Kathy has been great to work with. She has helped develop several successful partnerships involving the WST2 Center. The most noteworthy of these was her assistance in coordinating the Pacific Northwest Transportation Technology Expo, providing FHWA co-sponsorship of the Expo and securing funding to transporting research equipment to the Expo.

Speaking of the Technology Expo, we are pleased to announce that the Pacific Northwest Transportation Technology Expo 2001 is in the works! We plan on being bigger and better than last year! We invite you to not just attend but to participate! Bring your most successful inventions, tool modifications, equipment modifications and process improvements to share with other agencies. The "Better Mousetrap" exhibit was one of the most successful elements of the first Expo. The benefits received through the exchange of successful ideas more than paid back the time and money invested in participation. One of last year's mousetrap presenters told me, "I came thinking I was only going to show our mousetrap, but I'm going home with six ideas we're going to implement in our own shop." This is technology transfer at it's best.



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